

Coastal Carolina Lodge 12 Meeting Minutes June 22, 2023

# Lodge Meeting Opened:

Brother Chaplain George Martin performed the opening prayer

1900 hours proclaimed open by Brother Second Vice President Shick

Oath of Allegiance

Out of Order: Nothing to report

## **Rollcall of Officers:**

### **Officers Present:**

Brother KC Canterbury – President Brother Chris Shick – Second Vice President Sister Jade Pike – Recording Secretary Brother Wayne Wells – Sergeant At Arms Brother George Martin – Chaplain

#### Absent:

Brother Tim Troxell – Vice President Brother Pfifer – Treasurer Brother Jim Tolman – Secretary

Reading of the minutes: Digital or paper copies are available for review and can be sent if requested.

## Acceptance of New Applications for Membership:

Jim McNamara – Lancaster PD Retired – Sponsored by Brother Canterbury Max Thomas Rodriguez – Myrtle Beach PD – Sponsored by Brother Canturbury Jeffery Ralph DiNoia – NYPD Retired – Sponsored by Brother Shick Robert Dale Trevathan – SCHP (Retired) HC Deputy Coroner – Sponsored by Brother Shick Michael Ernest Mercurio – Myrtle Beach PD – Sponsored by Brother Shick Randall R Pacek – NYSP (Retired) – Sponsored by Brother Canterbury Charles Norman Kessler – HCPD – Sponsored by Brother Canterbury Bradley Chase Rabon – HCSO – Sponsored by Brother Troxell

Motion Made to Accept Applications: Sister Dean Second: Brother Willie Wirth

### **Officers Reports:**

<u>President – Brother Canterbury:</u> Working on recruitment, there are a lot of new hires at HCPD. Trying to get back in with County Council to discuss insurance for county employees (officers). There is a 2 tiered raise that will be going in to effect July 1. If you make over \$50,000 you get 5%, if you make less than \$50,000 you get \$2,500 per year. There are discussions about bringing back insurance after retirement. When that time comes we will be voicing our opinion to them a great deal. Tyler Servant (councilman) was the loan person to vote against the budget in previous years regarding a tax increase. This year he has elected to return his "slush fund" from previous years and the upcoming years and give it to public safety. The county is talking about using that money to hire a full time on call cook team to respond and cook in the event of a natural or major disaster.

Vice President - Brother Troxell: Published

Secretary - Brother Tolman: Nothing submitted in his absence.

Treasurer - Brother Pfifer: Nothing submitted in his absence.

<u>Second Vice President – Brother Shick:</u> Working on recruiting and handling all of the online application stuff. Maintaining the new e-mail service and recruits.

<u>Recording Secretary – Sister Pike:</u> Working on recruitment and regular duties of the station.

<u>Chaplin – Brother Martin:</u> George Freese's Wife, Jean, is having surgery. Tony Morrere's wife is in the hospital.

<u>Sergeant In Arms – Brother Wells:</u> George Freese's Wife, Ms. Daisy, is having surgery. Tony Morrere's wife is in hospital at Grand Strand.

Officer Reports will be accepted as given and added to the record as informational

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Christmas Party Committee:** Christmas Party Committee will be set up soon. The tentative date is December 2, 2023 at the Train Depot in downtown Myrtle Beach. If we advertise the party we may have a better turn out like we used to have with 200 - 300 people.

**Bills:** Nothing submitted for exact figures. We have no foreseen additional bills at this time so they should be the same as previous months and look something like the following:

Storage and Insurance:	\$ 95.00
Account Services:	\$ 400.00
Total in Bills:	\$ 495.00

Discussion: None

Motion Made to Pay Bills: Brother Costello Seconded: Brother Petras

### **Communications:**

<u>From the Board</u> – Brother Troxell is working on making hotel and air fare reservations for the National FOP Conference in Las Vegas in August 2023.

<u>From the Floor</u> – Legal Defense payment question was risen about who and where to pay. It does not apply to retirees plans. The "Full Active" which includes full civil, criminal, and administrative will still pay the lodge as they do now. The lodge will have their own group plan with Highland. There will be no change for our current members, they will still pay the lodge as they are now and then the lodge will pay Highland directly rather than paying the State Lodge. The price will be increasing approximately \$5 a month for each member. The retiree price has not changed and can still be paid online.

## Sick and In Distress:

From the Chaplain – Nothing to report

From the Board - Nothing to report

<u>From the Floor</u> – Nothing to report

## **Unfinished Business:**

New board still needs to be installed. We have this slated for the July meeting. If past National President Chuck Canterbury is unable to attend we are hoping to have current State President Terry Gainey attend to install the newly elected e-board.

Fundraising is going good. We have raised about \$9,000 for our lodge so far. It should pick back up further as the summer months roll in hopefully.

## **New Business:**

#### From the Board:

We are gearing up for the National FOP Conference in Las Vegas in August. Flights and hotel are both booked. The e-board made the decision to not stay at the MGM which was \$140 a night. We will be staying at the New York New York which is across the street and only \$80 a night to save the lodge money. This saved the lodge \$60 per room per night.

Brother Jerry Wright is currently our National Trustee but has decided to not run for reelection as national trustee at the August National Conference. Brother Terry Gainey has decided that he will be stepping down as the State Lodge President and will be running for the position of National Trustee for the state of South Carolina.

#### From the Floor: Nothing

#### Good of the Order:

Thank you to Brother Wayne Wells who decided to take it upon himself to cook spaghetti for the lodge dinner.

Motion: Sister Dean made a motion that the lodge collect \$5 from every member to help cover the cost of the dinner.

Second: Brother Shick

Discussion: Brother Costello stated that the lodge covering thet cost of the meals may help to entice members to come to the metings making our attendance increase. Brother Wells brought up that when we go back to meeting at a restaurant the members may be expecting the lodge to continue picking up the tab. We may be able to have the restraint give us a discounted short menu.

\*\* Tabled until the August meeting \*\* Push the meeting really hard on Facebook and via e-mail to boost the number of members in attendance.

50/50 raffle collected \$50 so \$25 will be given to the lodge and \$25 will be given to the winner. Winning ticket: 7497837 Brother KC Canterbury

# The July 27, 2023 meeting will be held at the Myrtle Beach Christian Church at 1245 Burcale Rd. Myrtle Beach, SC.

Meeting Attendance: 17

Closing Prayer: Performed by Chaplain Martin

**Lodge Meeting Closed**